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SUBJECT: REFUGEE VIETNAMESE DEPUTIES SAID RESOLVED ON PRESS
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1. UNHCR REP MISE TELEPHONED EMBOFF APRIL 27 TO SAY THAT REFUGEE VIETNAMESE DEPUTIES HAD RESOLVED TO HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE APRIL 30. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO PERSUADE THEM THAT FURTHER RESTRAINT ESSENTIAL TO AVOID DIPLOMATIC EMBARRASSMENT TO GOJ, WHICH MIGHT IN TURN COMPLICATE THEIR TEMPORARY STAY IN JAPAN. IN ANSWER TO EMBOFF'S QUESTION, MISE SAID GOJ COULD NOT LEGALLY PREVENT PRESS CONFERENCE NOR WOULD IT LIKELY RETALIATE AGAINST DEPUTIES' DISREGARD OF REQUEST THAT THEY ABSTAIN FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY WHILE IN JAPAN. MISE'S MAIN WORRY (AND EMBASSY'S) WAS THAT PUBLIC DENUNCIATION OF HANOI REGIME BY REFUGEES MIGHT HEIGHTEN GOJ RELUCTANCE TO AID FUTURE BOAT CASES (REF A).

2. MISE ASKED IF EMBASSY WOULD TELL REFUGEE DEPUTIES THAT PRESS
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CONFERENCE WOULD LESSEN THEIR CHANCES FOR ADMISSION TO US. EMBOFF SYMPATHIZED WITH MISE'S PROBLEM, BUT INDICATED WE WERE IN NO POSITION TO MAKE SUCH COMMITMENT.

3. WE PERCEIVE, HOWEVER, OPPORTUNITY INHERENT IN THIS SITUATION. EMBASSY MIGHT AGREE TO INTERCEDE WITH REFUGEE DEPUTIES (IMPRESSING ON THEM NOTION THAT GOING PUBLIC MIGHT COMPOUND

PROBLEMS OF FUTURE BOAT CASES), BUT NOTE TO JAPANESE THAT
EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH INTERCESSION MIGHT DEPEND ON EMBASSY'S
ABILITY TO MEET WITH DEPUTIES WITH SOME REGULARITY. REQUEST
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